

Exhibit A

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance)
Company and State Farm Fire and Casualty)
Company,) Case No. 1:21-cv-05523-MKB-PK
)
Plaintiffs,)
) Hon. Margo K. Brodie
v.)
) Magistrate Peggy Kuo
Metro Pain Specialists, P.C., et al.,)
)
Defendants.)

**AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL L. CARDOZA
IN SUPPORT OF HIS MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF COOK)

I, MICHAEL L. CARDOZA, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- I. I am counsel with the law firm of Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP.
- II. I submit this affidavit in support of my motion for admission to practice *pro hac vice* in the above captioned matter.
- III. My State of Illinois Bar Number is 6335653. As shown in the Certificate of Good Standing annexed hereto (as Exhibit B), I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Illinois.
- IV. There are no pending disciplinary proceedings against me in any state or federal court.
- V. I have not been convicted of a felony.
- VI. I have not been censured, suspended, disbarred or denied admission or readmission by any court.

VII. Wherefore I respectfully submit that I be permitted to appear as counsel and advocate *pro hac vice* in this case for Plaintiffs State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and State Farm Fire and Casualty Company.

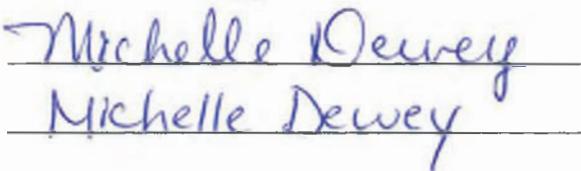
WHEREFORE, I, MICHAEL L. CARDOZA, hereby respectfully request that this Court grant my admission *pro hac vice* to appear for all purposes as counsel for State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and State Farm Fire and Casualty Company in the above-captioned action.

Dated: April 10, 2024



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Sworn to me this 10 of April, 2024



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